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Title : Regarding status of implementation of the recommendations contained in the 23rd Report of the Standing Committee on Information Technology (2005-2006) pertaining to the Ministry of Information Technology.

THE MINISTER OF PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS AND MINISTER OF INFORMATION AND BROADCASTING (SHRI PRIYA RANJAN DASMUNSI): Sir, I would like to lay a statement regarding the status of implementation of recommendations contained in the 23rd Report of the Parliamentary Standing Committee on Information Technology relating to Detailed Demands for Grants 2005-06 concerning the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting in pursuance of direction 73 A of the Speaker, Lok Sabha issued vide Lok Sabha Bulletin Part − II, dated September 1, 2004.

The Standing Committee on Information Technology held its meeting on 30th March, 2005 to consider the Detailed Demands for Grants of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting for the year 2005-06. In its Eighteenth report presented to Lok Sabha on 21.04.2005 the Standing Committee made 25 recommendations contained in the Report. The Ministry furnished Action Taken Notes on the recommendations contained in the Report on 18.08.2005. The Committee analyzed the Action Taken by the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting and on six recommendations did not accept the replies of the Government and reiterated its view in its 23rd Report presented to Lok Sabha on 20.12.2005.

The Action Taken Notes on these six recommendations have already been furnished to the Committee. Through the said Action Taken Notes, the Committee

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has been apprised of the status of implementation of the recommendations. A statement of Action Taken on the specific Recommendations/Observations as contained in the 23rd Report of Standing Committee on Information Technology in respect of the Ministry of Information and Broadcasting is laid on the Table of the House.

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MR. SPEAKER: Item No. 9, Dr. Anbumani Ramadoss.

...(*Interruptions*)

MD. SALIM (CALCUTTA − NORTH EAST): Sir, this is a very important matter and the Minister is not present here. ...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: He should have been present here.

...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: I resent his absence; he should have been present here.

...(*Interruptions*)

MR. SPEAKER: Item No. 16, Shri Dasmunsi.